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Thermal Tolerant Avicelase From | Confirmation No. 9956

Acidothermus cellulolyticus

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AMENDMENT UNDER37 C.F.R. §1.111

The Applicant is responding to the office action dated August 1, 2002.

Written Request Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a)(3):

Please accept this authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for extension of time for its timely submission as though the reply incorporates a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. A two month extension of time is requested, and a separate Petition for Two Months Extension of Time is enclosed.

In the Drawings:

Please substitute the accompanying drawing sheet with Fig. 2 thereon for the corresponding sheet in the application.

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